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Re: Docket No. 2006-65-C – Petition of Donald A. Quick on Behalf of the Residents of Center Creek Community Requesting to Change or Add Additional Local Telephone Providers in Ridgeway, South Carolina.

Dear Parties of Record:

As Hearing Officer in the above-referenced docket, I would like to have a conference call with the parties in order to determine the status of any progress that has been made toward the resolution of the issues addressed in the petition, and to determine if a pre-trial conference would be of benefit.

I am currently available any time during the afternoon of August 23rd, 25th or 29th. I request that the parties confer and get back to me with one or more times/dates during which they would all be available for a conference call.

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Thank you for your expected cooperation.

Sincerely,

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